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## TRAGIC AUTO ACCIDENT PARTICIPANT INDICTED ON PERJURY CHARGES

San Francisco School  
Teacher Held; False  
Testimony Alleged.

Another participant in the tragic auto accident which occurred near Niles three weeks ago became seriously involved with the law when Miss Cecile J. Lucy, San Francisco school teacher and companion of the San Francisco policeman, Raymond Kelly, driver of the car responsible for the death of two persons in the collision, was indicted Tuesday on two counts of perjury by the Alameda county grand jury. Kelly was indicted Friday by the grand jury on two charges of manslaughter in connection with the deaths of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis, of Oakland, who were occupants of the car struck by Kelly.

Indictment of Miss Lucy grew out of Friday's hearing when she testified that neither Kelly nor she had been drinking before the accident. Testimony of two state highway patrolmen, Joseph Lewis and E. J. Dias, was to the effect that both she and Kelly had been drunk after the accident had occurred. Others who testified before the grand jury that the two had been drinking were Captain Louis Elke and Patrolman Anthony Enos. Dr. D. J. Manley, of Hayward, who examined Kelly after the accident, stated he had been drinking, although he was not drunk.

Kelly was first brought before Judge Silva, of Niles, after the smash-up and charged with reckless driving. He was alleged to have been traveling at a high rate of speed when he attempted to pass another car and crashed head-on with the Davis machine. He was later released on bail but charges of witnesses that there had been liquor involved in the accident caused District Attorney Earl Warren to investigate and finally bring manslaughter charges against Kelly. He pleaded not guilty to one indictment and trial is scheduled to take place October 14.

LATE TRAIN TO CITY ON  
SUNDAYS NOW AVAILABLE

For the convenience of Sunday travelers the Southern Pacific Company has routed its Santa Cruz train, which formerly ran via Newark, through Niles. It is now possible to leave Niles at 8:52 p. m. Formerly, the last train on Sunday left Niles for the city at about six o'clock.

Charles Hatch and family were among the holiday visitors at the state fair.

Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Jones returned last Wednesday from an extended trip during the holidays. Monday was spent at the state fair, while Tuesday and Wednesday were passed at their summer cottage in the Santa Cruz mountains.

## SCHOOL WILL HOLD FIRST ASSEMBLY NEXT WEEK

The first of four evening assemblies planned for the coming year will be given at the Williamson School on Friday evening, September 25, at eight o'clock. Classes in Spanish, French, dancing, swimming and craft work will be organized at the gathering.

Highlights on the evening's program will be music selections rendered by Harry Salz, considered one of the outstanding pianists in this community, and an exhibit of craft work by Harry Green, assistant superintendent of art in the city schools of Stockton.

Other features will include

## BUDGET OF WATER DISTRICT FOR NEXT YEAR IS \$21,600.00

LARGE AMOUNT GOES TOWARDS  
INTEREST PAYMENT ON BUDGET

BY CHRIS RUNCKEL

Secretary Alameda County Water District

There was a time when the Alameda County Water District was at war with private water companies and secrecy was sometimes necessary. Now that the enemies of the district have been absorbed by the Bay cities and conflicting interests between the district and private water companies serving the Bay cities have been settled, secrecy is no longer necessary. In fact the more publicity we give to the action of the district now the safer it will be for the public welfare. There are several matters which the people, who are after all the district, should know about.

## The Budget.

First there is the budget. It has been fixed this year at \$21,600, the same as last year and calls for a twenty-four cent rate on each \$100 of assessed property. Of this amount \$12,500 goes to pay interest on the bonds for the two semi-annual payments that fall due in April and October next year. The first year's interest was paid on April 1 of this year and the first semi-annual payment for the second year will be paid on October 1, the money for which was included in last year's budget. This will make \$18,750 paid for interest this year. This was possible without a higher tax rate because the district obtained a premium in the sale of its bonds of \$7789 which was applied to the payment of interest

## ALL NON-FIREMEN URGED TO KEEP OFF FIRE TRUCK

Fire departments often have many things in common, but one thing which the Centerville department regards itself as having in mutual with the Niles department is the trouble with non-firemen leaping on the fire truck when it is going into action.

In spite of signs posted on the truck warning all non-firemen to keep off, uninvited passengers are always jumping onto the machine, says Assistant Fire Chief Frank Madruga, who is vehement in his avowal that the practice must stop.

Insurance companies absolutely forbid it, according to Madruga, and all non-firemen are taking a dangerous risk. Everyone has been urged to heed this warning in the future.

Addresses by Mrs. Ann Isham, teacher at the Williamson school, and Mrs. Clark Baker Holmes, of Mills college.

Assisting the hostess, Mrs. Jack Williamson, in the receiving line will be Mrs. J. C. Shinn, Mrs. James R. Whipple and Mrs. William Eberly. Lovely refreshments will be served.

## NILES YOUTHS SAVE BOY FROM WATERY DEATH

Booras, Weed and Carr  
Play Heroic Role In  
Near-Tragedy.

A drowning was narrowly averted last Saturday afternoon in the swimming hole at the gravel pit located at the foot of Third street, Niles, through the heroic efforts of three Niles youths who leaped into the water and rescued an unidentified Oakland boy on the verge of going down for the last time.

James Booras, Sidney Carr, and Emery Weed, Jr., all high school boys, were swimming at the gravel pit when they were joined by three youths of apparently their age, who said they were from Oakland. One of the three swam out to a log about thirty feet from the shore and was returning when suddenly he was attacked by cramps and sank without warning, according to the version of the Niles boys. He cried out for help, but the other swimmers at first thought the distressed youth was only shamming, as is sometimes the case, and paid little attention to his outcries.

Weed was the first to notice the boy was drowning, and in spite of the fact that he is not an expert swimmer, went immediately to his aid. He was on the point of being pulled under himself by the struggles of the drowning youth when Carr came to the rescue, then Booras, and between the three the completely exhausted boy was pulled ashore. He departed with his companions without giving his name or even thanking his rescuers, after he had recovered from the effects of the near drowning.

## CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE WORK PROGRESSING

Preliminary work in connection with the annual Christmas seal sale is progressing rapidly for Washington township, with committees being appointed and other details being attended to, according to Mrs. J. E. Thane, who is chairman of the group sponsoring the affair.

## HERE'S A FISH STORY AS TOLD BY JOE OLIVER

There are "fish stories" and fish stories, but anyone who questions the validity of this one will have to deal with Joe Oliver, Niles bass fisherman supreme. Joe, accompanied by his son, Manuel, and Joe Soares, went bass angling at Bay Point Sunday.

The fish were biting good and everyone was enjoying himself in the routine of pulling in customary sized bass. Suddenly Joe, who had been hoping for a little excitement to disturb the serenity of the scene, felt a mighty tug at his line which almost jerked his thumb off. Realizing he had a prize of which he could proudly boast, the startled fisherman craftily played with the catch. After approximately a twenty minute struggle he delightedly drew ashore a huge bass, which he claims weighed in the vicinity of twenty-five pounds. To make the story complete Joe displayed the bass.

The others on the trip also caught the limit of bass, but none of the fish compared with Joe's catch.

## NILES COUPLE HAIL 64 YEARS OF WEDDED LIFE

Daces Have Resided in  
Niles for Past Twenty  
Years

Sixty-four years of marital bliss is a record that is difficult to excel and even attain, but such has been the fortunate experience of Mr. and Mrs. John Dace, who recently celebrated their sixty-fourth wedding anniversary at their home in Niles Canyon, at which a host of friends and relatives were present to make the observance of the happy event an enjoyable one.

Dace is the only surviving Civil War veteran in Washington township. His wife and he have resided in Niles Glen for the last twenty years.

All the cakes served at the anniversary were made by Mrs. Dace from her old-time recipes.

Mr. and Mrs. Dace are the parents of two daughters, Mrs. C. L. Hill, of Niles, and Mrs. Dr. Joy, of Kansas City, Kansas; and have a granddaughter, Mrs. L. Olsen; a grandson, A. V. Hill; and four great grandchildren.

In addition the following guests were present at the anniversary celebration: Mr. and Mrs. J. Melio, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Croft, and Mrs. J. Anderson, all of Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boerner, and Miss Elinor Alt, of Niles.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ellsworth, Vernon Ellsworth and Jack Townsend were Pacific Grove visitors last week.

Katy Sullivan returned Monday after an enjoyable two weeks' vacation spent in Reno.

## OLD MANUSCRIPT UNCOVERS INTERESTING HISTORY OF NILES

Opportunity to draw back the curtain of almost forty years and obtain a glimpse into the life of Niles and surrounding community during that long past day and of many years previous was afforded this week when an old time-worn manuscript relating the early history of this locality was uncovered at the home of Mrs. Thane, a pioneer in this vicinity.

The manuscript was written by Mrs. Thane's son, the late Bartlett Lee Thane, when he was approximately only twelve years of age, and was read by him at a flag raising ceremony held in connection with the celebration of

the building of a new school house in Niles in 1892, at which the teacher, Miss Sadie Treat, now Mrs. George Childs, of Oakland, presided.

An interesting and colorful picture unfolds to the reader as the yellowed pages of the writing are turned, and it is through the kindness of Mrs. Thane that the Township Register is able to print it for our readers. Undoubtedly many of the old residents of this community can recall in their reminiscences some of the scenes described in the manuscript, which

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## NEW NILES CANNERY PROSPECTS SOUNDED AT C. OF C. MEET

## WRECK OF CAPTAIN OAKES' VESSEL SURPRISES

The community of Centerville was shocked this week to hear of the wreck of the Panama Mail liner Colombia on the lower California coast, late Saturday night, commanded by Captain Theodore K. Oakes, who makes his home in Centerville when he is not at sea. Mrs. Oakes is a former Centerville woman, having lived in this community all her life before marrying Captain Oakes.

The captain of the ill-fated Colombia has been a skipper for over thirty years, and is highly regarded by officials of the Panama Mail Steamship company. All of the 130 passengers and the crew of 100 were saved through the heroic efforts of the officers and crew as well as the passengers.

J. Carnesecca and family enjoyed the holidays clam digging at Palm Beach, Watsonville.

## A. J. Rathbone Pleads for Confidence of Members In High School.

Hopeful prospects of erection in the near future of a much larger cannery in Niles by the Schuckl interests, bringing increased prosperity to the community, was voiced in a letter read before Tuesday's well attended meeting of the Niles chamber of commerce, presided over by F. V. Jones. The letter was a reply to one sent recently by the executive board of Niles chamber to the Schuckl San Francisco offices, promising the wholehearted support of the Niles body in any such undertaking and expressing their willingness to meet all the conditions which erection of a new plant would warrant.

The chief obstacle to the construction of a new cannery at Niles has arisen over the question of whether the present sewage disposal system is adequate to take care of a new plant. E. E. Dias, president of the sanitary board of the Niles water district, in addressing Tuesday's meeting, declared that either the sewage

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## EDITORIAL COMMENT

By NORMAN H. PARKS, Publisher Register

## SWING FOR SENATOR

A LITTLE EARLY, perhaps, to discuss the senatorial situation in California. Nevertheless, aspirants for the toga of our junior senator, Shortridge, are already busy, and their friends are laying plans for the campaign that will open early in the spring.

It is generally conceded that Sam, often referred to as "Slippery Sam," will run again. He has the advantage of possession, nine-tenths the law. The senator has done nothing recently to antagonize a great body of voters, so opposition to his reelection at the present time is not so pronounced. Progressive Republicans do not like Shortridge on general principals, but whether this element of the Republican party can crystallize a commanding opposition to his return to Washington next fall is a matter of simple conjecture.

Down in Imperial county friends are forming Swing-for-Senator clubs. Plans for his campaign are underway. Swing himself has not announced, publicly, that he will be in the race, but it is assumed that his followers in the south would not be busy were the congressman not sympathetic with the move in his behalf.

Congressman Swing, co-author with Senator Johnson of the Swing-Johnson bill—Boulder Canyon dam legislation—would make a very strong race in Alameda county, and other sections where large irrigation projects are operated. He is familiar with conditions peculiar to irrigated sections, and conversant with the problems of the California farmer. He is progressive in a similar manner that Johnson is progressive. He is decidedly "dry."

Swing, if he enters the race against Shortridge, will make a strong canvas. Southern California will support him, and that great moral force, prohibition, will stand behind him solidly.

It is too early yet to talk much about next summer's campaign, but beams already casting their rays over the political heavens foreshadow a spirited senatorial contest in which Shortridge may possibly suffer defeat.

## GANDHI IN ENGLAND

THE OUTSTANDING political news of the week has been the arrival of Gandhi in England for participation in the round-table discussion

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## COMING EVENTS

CAST THEIR  
SHADOWS BEFOREREGISTER'S FRATERNAL, SOCIAL  
AND AMUSEMENT CALENDAR

- Sept. 18—Fire Department Meeting, Fire Hall, 7 p. m.
- Sept. 18—Rebekahs, I. O. O. F. Hall, 8 p. m.
- Sept. 18—P. T. A. Benefit Whist, Niles Grammar School.
- Sept. 19—Garden of Allah Dance.
- Sept. 21—Odd Fellows, I. O. O. F. Hall, 8 p. m.
- Sept. 21—Welfare Club, No. 1, Mrs. Whipple.
- Sept. 23—Niles Guild, Regular Meeting.
- Sept. 26—Legion-Auxiliary Dance, Memorial Building.
- Sept. 28—Toyon Branch Baby Hospital, Mrs. Whipple.
- Oct. 1—Welfare Board, Library, 1 a. m.
- Oct. 6—Ladies Auxiliary, Legion Building, 8 p. m.
- Oct. 6—Native Daughters, I. O. O. F. Hall, 8:30 p. m.
- Oct. 7—Neighbors of Woodcraft, I. O. O. F. Hall, 8:30 p. m.

## SENIORS SMASH WAY TO 19 TO 6 TRIUMPH OVER REST OF SCHOOL

High School to Face Strong  
Alumni Aggregation  
On Saturday.

Superior weight and more experience proved too much for dogged fighting ability, consequently pre-game dope turned out correct as the highly touted seniors, led by the hard driving Pontes who tore off five and ten yard gains with startling consistency, emerged triumphant over the rest-of-the-school eleven in a hotly contested football struggle Friday afternoon on the high school grounds by the score of 19 to 6, and once more the seniors will enjoy free beans at the cost of their defeated opponents.

The seniors scored before the game was but a few minutes old when they took the ball after the kick-off, and with Pontes reeling off long gains on off tackle bucks and straight line smashes, crossed the goal of the rest-of-the-school. A pass was attempted for the extra point but failed. After this apparently easy scoring display by the seniors it appeared as if the game would be a one-sided contest, but the rest-of-the-school aggregation regained its morale and unleashed an offensive attack that netted a touchdown and knotted the score at 6 all. Martin around end and Salvador-

ina hitting the line bore the brunt of the attack for the rest-of-the-school. The try for goal failed.

The scoring for the remainder of the first half ended after the count was tied, and the two teams battled up and down the field with the R-o-S eleven having the best of the honors.

With the beginning of the third

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## MORE ON OLD MANUSCRIPT

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is printed below exactly as it was written by the twelve year old boy thirty-nine years ago:

"History of Niles."

"The earliest historical mention we have of this locality is in the year 1773 when Juan Bautista passed not many miles from the present town site. He tells of seeing great droves of elk in the San Jose valley.

"In 1796 Don Pedro de Alborni, with an exploring party, whose object was to select a good site for a Mission, passed by the Alameda and decided that it was unsuitable because he said the stream was so deep in the channel that it could not be used for irrigation and there was no pasture near. In spite of this queer statement, it is evident that he meant our stream, and crossed somewhere near Niles.

"With the arrival of the Spanish, the Indians, who were plentiful, the elk and the grizzlies had to retire into the hills. The church got hold of a large tract of land around the Mission, but this was afterward taken away.

The Spanish dons divided the remaining lands among themselves. They had in a few years immense herds of cattle and horses. They used to entertain all strangers with the utmost hospitality.

"The great Rodeos, or branding times, were when they sent all their men into the fields and gathered the cattle together in order to have the owners brand the calves. Niles was the gathering point for many a gay Fandango, where the festive Spanish youths and maidens danced all night and indeed every night for the better part of a week. Toward the end of these Fandangos, which were a regular Spanish institution all over the country, the young men were not a little inclined to the free use of their knives, and because they were also inclined to the free use of intoxicants, cutting affrays were of not infrequent occurrence. The immense gate posts with heavy round bars that used to stand on the road above the station formed one of the several gates to the big corral used for a Rodeo.

"Gold was discovered in '48 and trains of miners in red shirts and carrying possessions used to pass by here. They usually crossed the creek just above the lower Indian camp. If they had teams they crossed the Coast Range by way of Stockton and Livermore passes, but the foot passengers and those on horseback made their way through our canyons. Camps of large numbers of these '49ers were often seen on this very flat. Some of these people had sense enough to see that there was more money to be made in farming than in digging gold, and they settled near here.

"The Mission and Alvarado grew to be considerable villages in the early fifties.

"As to where the first public school was started there is some question. Some say it was in an adobe house at the south end of the lagoon in '50; some, that it was at the Mission in '51. Centerville opened its doors of learning in the fall of '52 in a building where Mrs. Lewis' hotel now stands. Niles was included in that district then. The children used to come also from Irvington, Newark and even Alvarado and Decoto until a district was laid off at Mawry's and another at Alvarado. But for several years Decoto, Niles and Irvington had to come to Centerville. The build-

# ALVARADO WEEKLY NEWS

## CAR DAMAGED WHEN STRUCK BY TRUCK ON NILES STREETS

### Ellsworth Machine Suffers Broken Wheel and Bent Fender.

An automobile collision occurred in Niles Monday morning when a truck driven by E. L. Vanderee, of Capitola, crashed into the car of E. A. Ellsworth, as Ellsworth was making a turn at the juncture of First and I streets. A back rear wheel was badly broken, and a rear fender smashed in were the damages suffered by the Ellsworth machine, while the truck had its front axles bent, its bumper torn off, and its transmission damaged.

Ellsworth in making the turn misjudged the speed of a car ahead of him and as a result swung directly in front of the fast moving truck, which was traveling south on First street, it was said. No one was injured.

## Legion Delegates Return From Long Beach Meet

Niles delegates to the state American Legion convention held at Long Beach returned last week and reported a successful trip. The returned delegates included Frank Mendoza, George Smith, and Lee Stivers, of Niles, and Frank Vieth, of Newark. Smith was accompanied by his family.

## Baby Boy Arrives At Home of A. B. Moore

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Moore are the proud parents of a nine pound baby boy born last week at a Hayward hospital. The newly arrived young man will be named James Carl Moore.

## Blaze On Alameda Creek Brings Out Niles Firemen

The Niles fire department was called out last week to control a blaze on the banks of Alameda Creek near the Neal Hunter chicken ranch. The fire was of but little consequence being confined to the creek banks and caused no damage.

ing was moved into the field back of what is now Manuel Dutra's so as to be more convenient for all. Then it was moved to the corner of Mr. Howard Overacker's land, and there Manuel Gomez now lives. Later Decoto district was cut off and in 1875 was given a separate district of its own.

"Now we have a splendid new schoolhouse that is an honor to the town. We can not as yet count a President of the United States among our graduates and I don't remember any Governor or Member of the Legislature, but the school is still young and there is no telling what may occur in the next 50 years, and over it waves the American flag."

Thus was the new school dedicated in 1892. It was located across the tracks from where the Schuckl cannery is now situated, according to Mrs. Thane. The flag which was raised on that memorable day thirty-nine years ago still exists and could if it had the power, relate an interesting history of its own, according to Mr. and Mrs. Thane, who hold it as one of their treasured possessions.

The age scarred emblem, which is now showing indications of giving way to the ravages of time, was given to Mrs. Thane by Eli Dennison, formerly a pioneer in this district, with the understanding that it was to be used by the school of that period. It was so large that the regular flag mast was not large enough to fly it, so a new one was erected. The flag was carried by the California delegates to the Republican national convention which nominated James Blaine for president, and was again carried by the state delegates to the national convention which nominated William McKinley for president. It also has served on other festive occasions in this community, and can surely boast of a long and colorful career.

## DEER KILLED.

J. P. Boyd made his last chance good when he bagged a deer Sunday morning in the Livermore hills. The buck had two points on one side and four points and one eye guard on the other.

J. G. Best, of Montana, has accepted the position formerly held by E. M. Watkins as keeper of the Alvarado Gun club. Watkins has taken over the club at Bomberg.

Mrs. Olive Lewis and children, who have been spending the past week with Mrs. Edith Gaspar returned to their home in Benecia.

Mr. Fernando Paredes has been confined to his home for the past week due to illness.

Morris Davila and Albert Otto attended the Oakland-Seals baseball game at Oakland ball park, Sunday.

John Menezes spent Monday in Oakland on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton Springer spent Monday in Oakland.

Among Niles people at the San Leandro flower show last week were Mrs. J. A. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Duarte, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ellsworth, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Kibby.

## MISS L. ANDRADE HONORED ON HER 18TH BIRTHDAY

Miss Lorraine Andrade, of the Alvarado Creek road, was given a surprise party Saturday night at the Parish Hall in honor of her eighteenth birthday.

The evening was spent in dancing, after which refreshments were served. Many friends were present.

Mrs. Joseph Prigo has returned from Santa Clara where she has spent the past two weeks visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Antone Vargas and Mrs. Edward Vargas spent Sunday at Alum Rock park.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Goularte and daughters motored to Mountain View Sunday.

Mr. Melvin Skow is the owner of a new sport coupe.

George Oellwig returned from Los Angeles Sunday where he had spent the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Barnard and baby daughter, of Hollywood, spent last week visiting with his sister, Mrs. Edward Vargas. Barnard is a member of the movie colony and has not been to visit his relatives for a number of years.

## BIRTHDAY PARTY HELD.

Earle Hellwig was the guest of honor at a birthday dinner Tuesday evening at his home on Vallejo street.

After dinner was served the guests enjoyed a game of bridge. Those present were the Misses Flora and Nancy McKeown, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Ralph, and Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Brown, of San Leandro.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Edwin Dutra attended a theater party at an Oakland theater Sunday evening.

Manuel Borges has been confined to his home for the past week due to an injury sustained while at work.

Mrs. Charles Baird spent Wednesday in San Francisco visiting with her sister.

Mrs. Sam Vecchio is spending a month's vacation in San Jose with her mother.

Mrs. J. H. Ralph and Mrs. Earle Hellwig spent Tuesday in Oakland shopping.

J. G. Rose, Jr., of Hayward, who has just returned from Mexico, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jacinto on Sunday. Rose is planning to leave for South America.

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## ROLE OF SPEAKER FOR DEFENDANT GIVEN WOMAN JUROR

A novel experience in court procedure occurred in the justice court of Judge Allen Norris in Centerville on Tuesday when a woman member of the jury acted as interpreter for the defendant in the trial of Marie Ramirez, of Decoto, who was acquitted of a charge of vagrancy. The beginning of the trial was delayed for some time while a search was made for some one who could understand and translate Mexican.

Finally with the consent of the prosecuting attorney, the judge and the attorney for the defendant, Mrs. Jannie Vail, of Decoto, who was serving on the jury, was given the role of interpreter and the trial commenced.

The case was set for a week ago, but the chief witness for the state, David Caraballo, failed to put in an appearance, therefore necessitating postponement of the trial. A bench warrant was issued for Caraballo's arrest, and he had to spend several days in jail as a material witness. He claimed that the reason for his non-appearance was due to fear of violence at the hands of the defendant's friends.

## MORE ON BUDGET OF

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have not included in this year's budget. We had expected to pay this by the sale of land but the depression has hit our prospective buyers so hard the sale failed to go through. However, a good part of this indebtedness will be met with the money that the district will receive for right of way through its land for San Francisco's emergency pipe line.

### How Money Is To Be Spent

This is the estimate given to the Board of Supervisors:

Interest fund	\$12,500
Salary fund	6,000
Maintenance and operation	3,100

Total \$21,600

The salary fund is apportioned as follows:

Engineer (he also serves as general manager)	\$3,000
Attorneys	1,200
Secretary-Auditor	1,200
Directors (five who get an average of \$10 each month)	600

Total \$6,000

Under administration and operation the items are administration \$1,000. This is to meet emergencies that arise during the year. Insurance \$750. Most of this is spent to protect the district in case of accident either to the pipe lines or to people and covers possible public damage. The sum of \$1,350 was set aside for new meters and new pipe. The board at its last meeting in order to meet the situation at Newark voted to spend a good deal more than this.

As secretary-auditor my salary up to July of last year was \$50 a month. For a time in the early history of the district I received \$10 a month and then \$20 a month. Of course if it had not been for other sources of income I should have been compelled to give up the job long ago. Mr. Williams's salary was fixed in 1914 as engineer \$250. In addition to this he is allowed \$25 a month for rent of a part of his office in San Francisco. Since the Alvarado and Newark distribution systems were taken over, Mr. Williams is allowed \$50 a month to have the water bills of the district made out. This comes out of the water receipts.

In addition to Mr. Williams as engineer he has had an assistant in Frank C. Nunes who entered the employ of the district back in 1914. For the most part of the time since then he has been paid in the neighborhood of \$192 per month. There has been no provision in the budget for the past three years for engineering expense. Originally it was intended that the collection of engineering data was to extend only over a certain time in order to prepare for the fights of the district against the Spring Valley Water company and the East Bay Water Company. The State Water Commission decided our contest with the Spring Valley Water company in 1920, just about eleven years ago. The case against the East Bay Water company it was found in the early part of the contest, depended principally upon the amount of water that company's predecessors had acquired a right to before the suit against them was filed by the district some sixteen years ago. For years our district had an understanding with the East Bay Water company that the company would not attempt to increase its rights pending the termination of the district's case against the company. As the district has no lawsuit now and as the only possible help to its water situation depends upon the rainfall it would seem that the data gathered during the past seventeen years ought to suffice.

It is very evident that unless the tax rate next year is to be much heavier than this year there will have to be much less money

## Warm Springs News

By IRMA LEAL

### MOTOR TRIP TO AROMAS.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Silva and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Ramos and family, of Warm Springs, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Tony Garcia and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garcia, of Milpitas, motored to Aromas Saturday.

Frank, Irma, and Evelyn Leal, of Warm Springs, accompanied by Mario Santos, of Irvington, motored to Hayward Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Andrade, of Decoto, visited relatives in Warm Springs Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Avila and son, of Centerville, visited Mr. and Mrs. Caton Laurence Sunday.

A number of Warm Springs residents motored to the state fair last week. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown, Tony Vargas, Mr. and Mrs. Azevedo, Joe Maciel, Mr. and Mrs. Souza and family, Alfred Smith, Manuel Vargas, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Laurence.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rose Garcia and Fred Magud returned to their home in Oakland after spending the week with friends in Warm Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat McDermott, of Oakland, visited relatives here Sunday.

### WARM SPRINGS SCHOOL RESUMES ON SEPTEMBER 8

WARM SPRINGS SCHOL ... The Warm Springs school opened September 8. They now have four teachers. They are: Miss Davis, first and second grades; Mrs. Wirz, third and fourth grades; Miss Bryant, fifth and sixth grades; Mr. Maffey, principal and seventh and eighth grades.

### DAUGHTER BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Caton Laurence are leaving for Modesto to visit their daughter, Mrs. Marie Bispo, who is in a hospital where a baby girl, whom she has named Betty Marie, was born to her.

Little Richard Enos, of Wayne, is staying with his grandparents following a severe illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Faria and family motored to San Jose Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Vargas and family motored to Livermore Sunday to visit relatives.

Mrs. Gerald Bisoso, of Oakland, returned to her home after spending the week with her mother, Mrs. M. Laurence.

Mr. and Mrs. Souza went to Rio Grande last week.

## Decoto News

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### HOLIDAY SPENT FISHING

A pleasant fishing trip at Sycamore Park formed the holiday diversion for John Mello and Manuel Silva, of Decoto, and Tony Andrade, of Hayward. Mello displayed his angling skill by landing a salmon. The limit of bass also was caught.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mendoza spent last week-end at the state fair.

A beach outing near Watsonville was enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Luna and family over the holidays.

spent than during the year which closed on July 1 of this year.

Because the first year has meant a lot of adjustments to a new situation there is a disposition to be liberal in our judgment and to make allowance. The exceedingly bad financial situation in our farming section makes it imperative that until another season has brought better times any expense that can be avoided or postponed should be cut out. Besides in 1935 we must begin to pay off the principal of the bonds at the rate of \$10,000 a year which will make our annual budget at last \$22,000, without any other expense included. By that time we ought to try to have the district on a self-supporting basis so that the annual budget will not have to include any money except that required for the interest on the bonds and their amortization. If the operation of the distribution system which the district may own at that time should provide a profit it will be very acceptable in reducing the amount to be raised by taxation. The problem ahead of the district for the next few years calls for a kind of management that will have strict regard for the budget, and this in turn will have to be held down to the lowest figure consistent with the needs of the district.

There are a number of other things in connection with the district which will be taken up in future articles.

### ALBERT CLOUDEN GIVEN SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY

Cards and Dancing Provide Entertainment for 21 Guests

In honor of his twenty-first birthday, Albert Clouden, of Decoto, was given an enjoyable surprise party Monday night, September 7, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clouden. Twenty-one of Albert's friends were present to help make his first day of age a pleasant and memorable one.

The reception room was beautifully hung with yellow decorations, and the birthday cake with twenty-one glittering candles was also in yellow. Cards and dancing provided the entertainment for the evening, while lovely refreshments were served by the host and hostess. The guests departed at a late hour wishing Albert many more happy birthdays and a successful future life.

A beautiful wrist watch was presented to Albert by his father and mother.

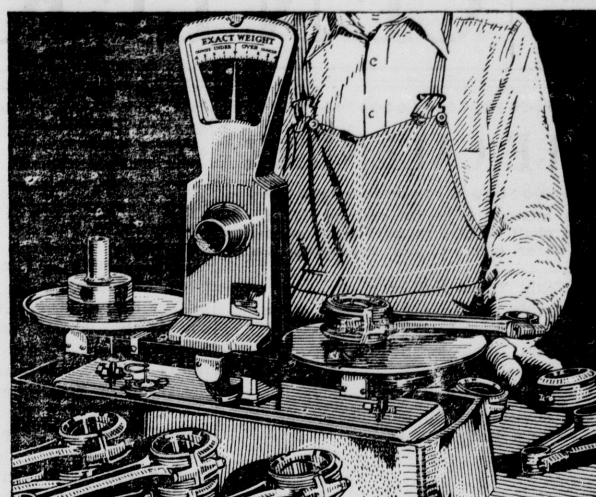
Mr. and Mrs. R. Bendel returned last Thursday from a five day vacation spent at their summer cottage in Santa Cruz.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smith and daughter spent the holidays in Niles visiting friends.

### Hold Hearing for Man Charged With Burglary

Preliminary hearing of Mike Barnett, who has been in jail for six weeks on a burglary charge, was commenced in the Centerville justice court before Judge Allen Norris on Tuesday. The hearing was continued for one week.

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### Mrs. Bendel Commences Story Telling at Library

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Black Buccaneer will be related to the older youngsters.

Jack Goldner of Hollywood, was visiting friends in Niles last week.

A former Niles grammar school teacher, Miss Eleanor Jack, spent the week-end in Niles visiting her friends. Miss Jack is teaching in San Mateo this year.

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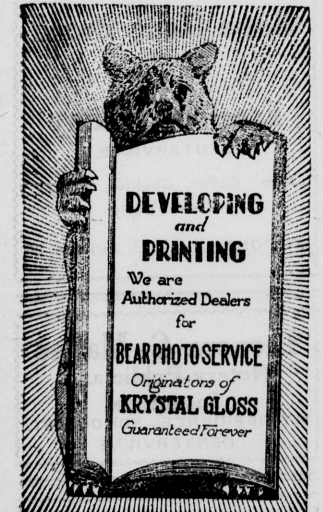
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## CENTERVILLE CALENDAR

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Sept. 18—Centerville Athletic Club, Town Hall 8 p. m.  
 Sept. 18—Betsy Ross Native Daughters, Anderson's Hall, 8 p. m.  
 Sept. 21—Fire Department Meeting, Fire House, 7 p. m.  
 Sept. 21—Welfare Club, No. 1, Mrs. Whipple, Niles.  
 Sept. 22—Native Sons, Hansen's Hall, 8 p. m.  
 Sept. 24—Knights of Columbus, Parish Hall, 8 p. m.  
 Sept. 24—Knights of Pythias, Hansen's Hall, 8 p. m.  
 Sept. 28—Victory Circle, Anderson's Hall, 8 p. m.  
 Oct. 1—St. James Men's Club.  
 Oct. 6—Country Club.  
 Oct. 7—Eastern Star, Masonic Hall, 8 p. m.  
 Oct. 10—Masons, Masonic Hall, 8 p. m.  
 Oct. 13—P. T. A. Centerville Grammar School.

## MORE ON SENIORS SMASH

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quarter the strain and the battering received at the hands of the heavier team began to tell on the R-o-t-S, who slowly but surely gave way to their more experienced opponents. The seniors tallied in this quarter after line backs by Fontes and Goularte, netting long gains, finally carried the ball over. A play through the line for the extra point was successful, but a penalty against the R-o-t-S eleven of half the distance to the goal brought the ball back (a new football ruling this year) and placed it on the one yard line. On the seniors' second attempt, however, Booras and Geib broke through and smeared the play. Score 12 to 6 in favor of the seniors.

There was no more scoring during that period, but in the final quarter the most thrilling play of the game occurred when Dick of the seniors caught a punt and dodging, twisting and straight-arming, ran approximately 45 yards for a touchdown through the entire R-o-t-S team. A pass Dick to Nakagowari was good for the additional point and the game ended 19 to 6.

Throughout the first half the rest-of-the-school fought a royal battle, but they were struggling against odds which they could not overcome. Marten in the

backfield, playing his first game of football, was the star for the R-o-t-S and showed great possibilities of developing into a valuable player. Before he was injured in the second half, Booras was a tower of strength in the line of the defeated team, Geib also showed up well. For the seniors Fontes was the shining light. He was ably assisted by Nakagowari, Dick and Goularte in the backfield, and Knobles, Pond, Logan and Aust in the line.

The starting line-up included: Seniors: Fontes, full; Nakagowari and Goularte, halves; Dick, quarter; Logan and Aust, ends; Weed and Pond, tackles; Knobles and Kato, guards; and Trout, center. For the rest-of-the-school: Salvadorina, full; Marten and Remos, halves; Vaughn, quarter; G. Mederos and Silva, ends; Fuller and Harold, tackles; Geib and Soy, guards; and Booras, center.

Hostilities between the seniors and the rest of the school ceased after Friday's struggle and Coach Regli is concentrating all his efforts this week on the combined forces in an attempt to put forth an eleven that will take the measure of the strong alumni aggregation which forms the opposition Saturday afternoon on the high school grounds.

The annual battle between the high school and the alumni this year has all the earmarks of a torrid contest which will not be decided until the final whistle blows. The ex-high schoolers are confident of crashing their way

to a victory, while the preppers are just as determined to blast all such confidence on the part of their opponents by displaying some real football that will enable them to emerge on the long end of the score.

The alumni had their first practice last Sunday under the watchful eye of Joe Blacow, who smiles confidently when asked as to what the result of Saturday's fracas will be. In glancing over the roster of the ex-preppers it is not difficult to understand the assured smile on the part of the genial Blacow, for four college huskies will cavort on the high school gridiron next Saturday in the line-up of the team which faces the high school. Wilbur Bettencourt who is on the St. Mary's squad this year will give the high schoolers plenty of trouble. Al Leonardo, a member of the College of San Francisco team, will be on hand to play against his ex-teammates, as well as Tony Escobar, who has been playing his latest football for San Jose State Teachers' college. Bud Rushin is the fourth college gridder who will add power to the alumni attack. Rushin is a member of the Stanford squad.

In addition Coach Blacow has the following from which he will draw his starting line-up: Ends, Ken Ferry and Joe Fontes; tackles, Mike and Howard Overacker, Al Searles, and Wally Pond; guards, Fat Fields and Escobar; center, Clarence Pine; backs, Sam Kearns, Lawrence Pine, Gene Dusterberry, and several other old timers who formerly wore the colors of Washington High. All alumni have been asked to be on hand to cheer their eleven to victory.

If uniforms had anything to do with winning football games the high school would certainly be assured of a triumph in the coming struggle, for they will appear on the field resplendent in brand new garb, eighteen new suits being purchased by Coach Regli this week. It is the resolute intention of the high schoolers not to have the first appearance of the new dress in action sullied by defeat.

Spectators are assured of a real game Saturday, and everyone has been urged to be on hand.

Coach Regli's prospective line-up includes the following men with whom he hopes to stop the onslaughts of the alumni: Full, Fontes; halfbacks, Dick and Nakagowari; quarter, Goularte; ends, Logan and Aust; tackles, Weed and Salvadorini; guards, Kato and Knobles; and center, Booras.

### TONSILS REMOVED

The young daughter of Walter E. Gaunt had her tonsils removed on Tuesday. She is getting along fine.

## PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. C. Emerson has been on the sick list of late with a bad cold.

Mrs. Mary Davidson, of the Academy of Science, San Francisco, visited friends in Centerville, Sunday.

San Leandro flower show visitors from Centerville last week included Mrs. R. Emerson, Mrs. T. Chadbourn, Mrs. V. Hawley, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. G. Mathisen, and Mrs. R. O. Bunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Joaquin Munyan and daughter Helen, of Newman, were week-end visitors in Centerville and Alviso.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Almada spent Sunday at Antioch on a fishing trip.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lewis, of Oakland, were visitors last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duffy Lewis.

The dramatic section of the country club is being entertained by Mrs. August May, of Alvarado, this week.

Assistant Fire Chief Frank Madrugra has returned from five days spent at the firemen's convention in San Diego.

Mrs. J. P. Eimeral was taken to an Oakland hospital this week.

Miss Jane Parr, of San Jose, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McWhirter.

Mrs. C. E. Anderson attended the flower show in San Leandro on Saturday night.

Garret Norris is spending a two weeks' vacation at the home of his sister in Santa Cruz.

Mr. and Mrs. John Vasconcellos, principal of the Mission San Jose grammar school, will occupy the George cottage in the near future.

Mrs. Fred Dusterberry and Elizabeth Dusterberry spent last Thursday in San Jose at a luncheon. They also attended a theater.

Mrs. George Lowry has returned after a week's stay with her daughter in Felton.

A Centerville visitor on Tuesday was Jack Lowry, of Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. S. McMillen and Charles Thomas went fishing over the week-end in Plumas county.

Mrs. H. L. Schnoor, of Gridley, is visiting Mrs. Jean Lacombe this week.

Centerville people who attended

the Niles chamber of commerce meeting on Tuesday were A. J. Rathbone and F. T. Dusterberry. Rathbone was the principal speaker at the meeting.

F. V. Jones, of Niles, and Frank Dusterberry, of Centerville, attended a meeting of the county welfare board at Hayward on Monday night.

Alvin Gomes is on his vacation.

Mrs. J. Kirkshire returned Sunday from a six weeks' visit in Michigan with relatives.

Mrs. E. Hawley spent last week in Los Angeles visiting relatives and enjoying the Fiesta de Los Angeles.

Cyril Atwood and party have arrived safely in Montant, according to word received by friends.

Miss Florence Aust visited in San Francisco with friends over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Gould spent the holidays at Carmel-by-the-Sea, staying in Gould's uncle's summer cottage.

George Lowry went hunting last week and returned with a two-point buck.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Rathbone were holiday visitors in San Luis Obispo.

## FRESHMEN SHUDDER AS INITIATION DAY TERRORS APPROACH

"Patsy" Selected as Student Play To Be Given October 29, 30

After enjoying a three day holiday last week students and faculty of Washington Union High School returned Thursday morning ready for work.

On Friday of this week the freshmen will undergo the rites of initiation at the hands of the upperclassmen, who promise to give the frosh a real reception. Just exactly what terrors the incoming students will have to face is a secret, but it is certain they will be royally entertained in the customary fashion befitting of lowly freshmen. Ceremonies will be concluded with a party in which members of the entire student body will take part.

The dramatic staff, composed of Miss Nicely, Mr. Gould, Mr. Mette, and Mrs. Brown, has announced that they have decided upon the first play to be given by the students this semester. The drama which has been selected is entitled "Patsy." Tryouts for the cast will take place this week and the dates planned for the presentation are October 29 and 30.

Night school classes are now being held every Tuesday and Thursday nights. An enrollment

of eighty-two greeted the registration for the classes last week. On Wednesday night of this week a meeting of the board of trustees was held, at which time the advisability of a junior college in this district was discussed with the committee which is working for the college.

## FIRE IN ALFALFA BRINGS OUT LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire caused from spontaneous combustion in alfalfa meal brought out the Centerville fire department last week to the farm of Antonio Maciel. The blaze which caused about \$75 damage was put under control by the fire department and a haystack saved. The local department responded to two calls, the first one at 7:30 p. m., which was put out, but the fire burst out anew, so another call was answered at midnight.

### CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Miss Harriet DeLeon celebrated her eleventh birthday by entertaining a group of her friends Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Justus visited Justus' brother, Ray Justus, at Port Costa on Sunday.

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## Work Commences On Country Club Drama

Work has commenced by the dramatic section of the country club on the play which will be presented sometime in the near future. "Lillies of the Field," a three-act comedy, is the title of the play to be given this year. Mrs. Barton Webb will act as director.

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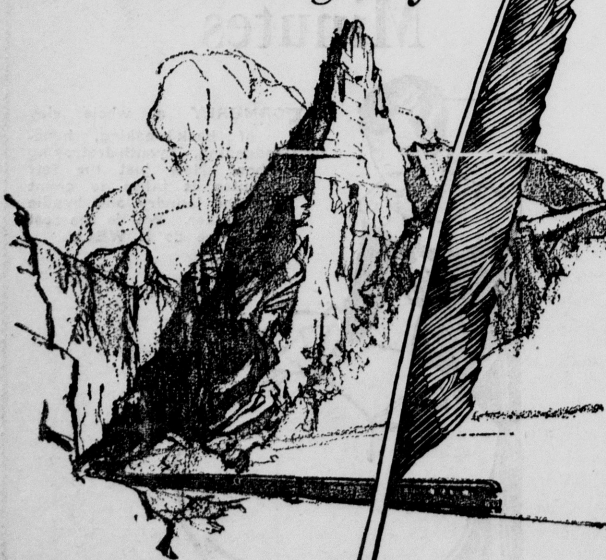
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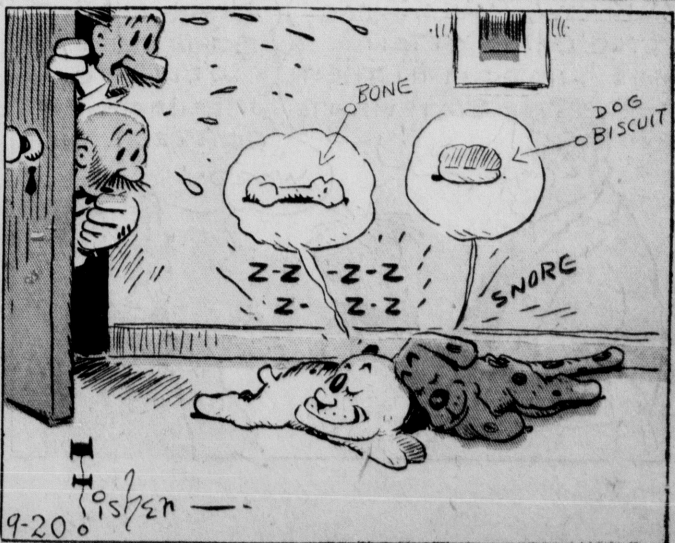
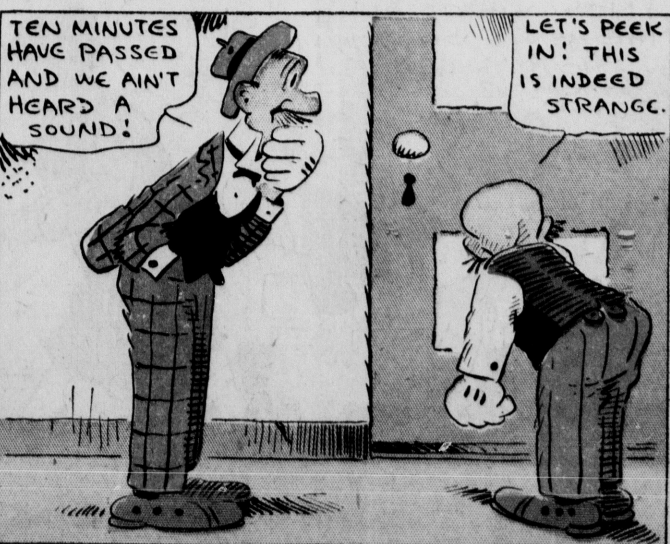
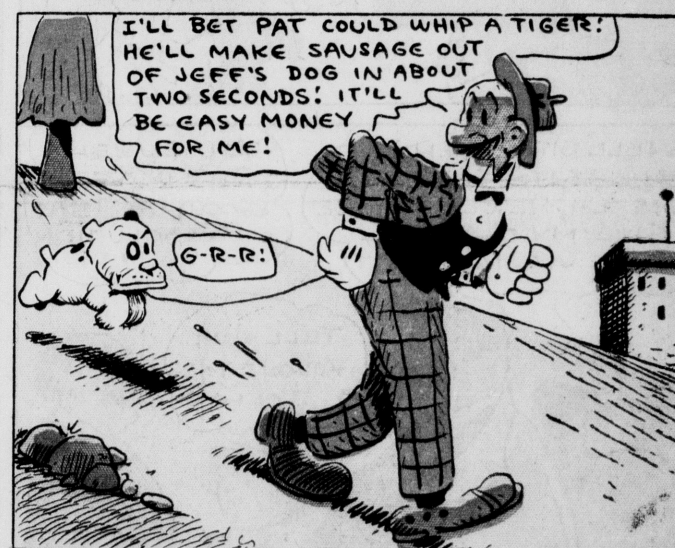
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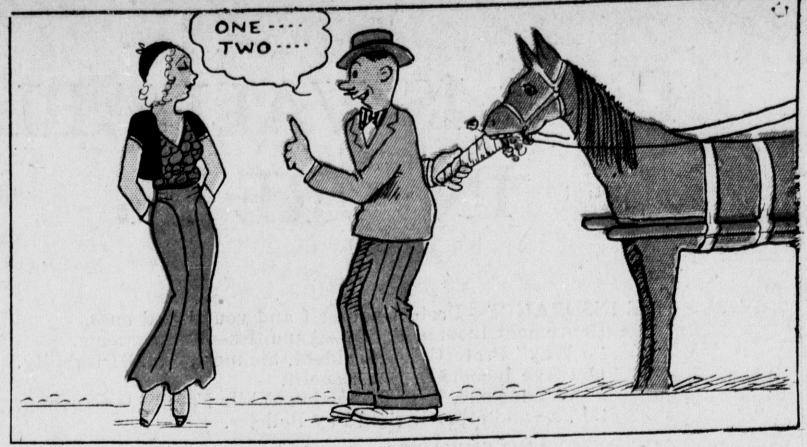
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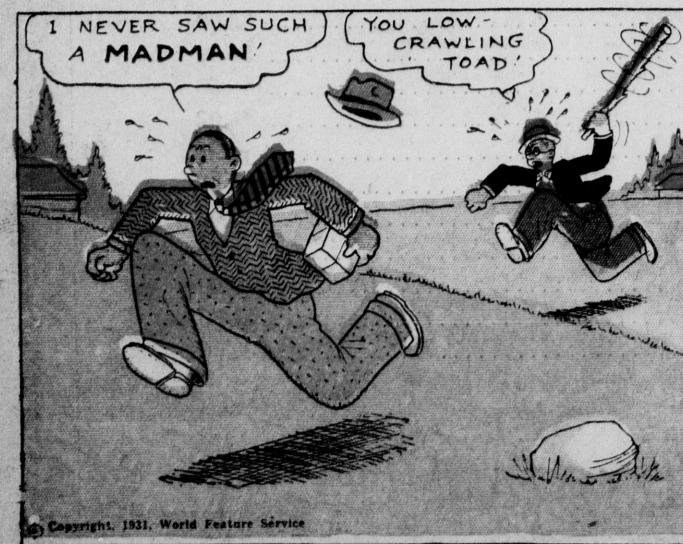
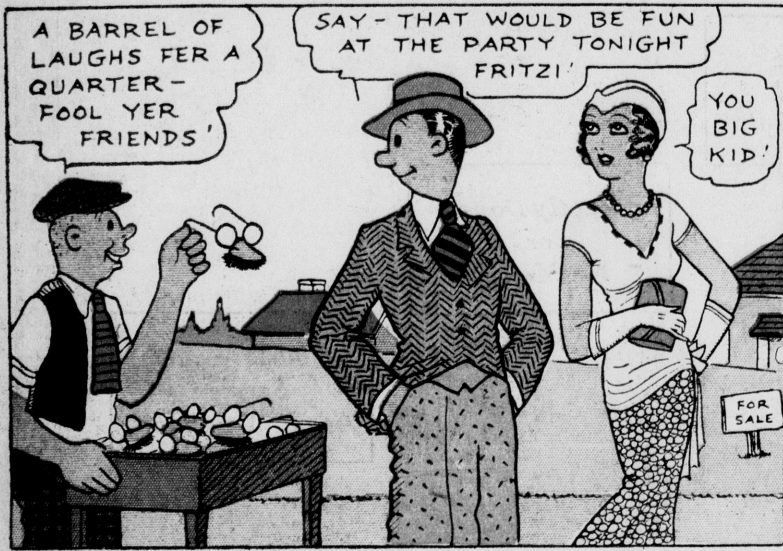




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**WISE**  
and  
**OTHERWISE**  
—oO—  
By W. T. D.

**Tardy Proposal**  
"How bashful you are," a pretty girl said to a young man.  
"Yes, I take after father in that respect," he replied.  
"Was your father bashful?"  
"Was he? Why mother said if father hadn't been so darn bashful I'd be four years older."  
—Exchange.

—oO—  
"Politicians take stand on rum." Without staggering?  
—oO—  
An Alameda county physician has reason to believe that he will make a successful humorist. Most of the liquor prescriptions he writes are jokes.  
—oO—  
A doctor fell into a well, and the neighbors heard him moan,  
"I should have tended to the sick And left the WELL alone."  
—o—  
Times are topsy-turvy. At parties women used to exchange recipes, while men talked politics. Now women talk politics, while

# The Newark Register

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## JOSEPH AGUIER DEAD FOLLOWING A LONG ILLNESS

The death of Joseph Aguiar, 55, of Newark, in an Oakland hospital Saturday night was a shock to his many friends. He had suffered with a long illness from diabetes. Funeral services were conducted in the St. Edward's church in Newark with Father Bray officiating on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment was made in the Centerville cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Anderson and daughters Annette and Doris, all of Los Angeles, were visitors last week at the home of Mrs. Anderson's uncle, R. Hafner in Newark. While here they visited with many old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Mento, of Oakland, were visitors at the home of Mrs. Mento's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Steinhoff, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ruschin and son, Louis Jr., and daughter, Miss Julia, returned home Friday after a ten days' vacation at Richardson Springs.

H. Fuller is recovering from a severe case of cold which has confined him to his bed for over two weeks.

Jack Bimemiller was laid up Tuesday on account of illness.

C. E. Pegram left Newark Saturday for Los Angeles where he will make his future home. He has been a foreman in the enameling plant of the James Graham manufacturing company for some time.

Misses Barbara and Peggy Scott and Robert Scott, of Los Angeles, were visitors at the home of their brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. Scott, Tuesday. They left Tuesday evening for Seattle.

The two homes of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller on Thornton avenue recently received a new coat of paint.

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## BABY BORN IN HONOLULU

Mrs. Mr. Buchanan recently received word of the arrival of a baby daughter to Mr. and Mrs. John Ward in Honolulu. Mrs. Ward will be remembered as the former Miss Winnifred Owen.

Maurice Silva has been quite ill for the past week with a severe cold.

Fred Reader, of Newark, has been remodeling his home.

Louis Ruschin, Jr., became a member of the Stanford varsity football squad Tuesday afternoon.

## FEELING AGAINST GAS TAX INCREASE REPORT SHOWS

Recent proposals of methods for increasing state revenue, including a suggestion that the gasoline tax be raised to four cents a gallon, have led to various comments on the existing motor vehicle tax situation, according to inquiries received by the California State Automobile association.

A study of the present condition reveals that in California last year motorists paid total taxes of \$55,912,804. The state's proportion, \$27,609,545, of this amount comprised approximately forty-two per cent of its entire revenue for highway purposes. This was nearly double the total paid in 1925, although in that year there were only slightly less than three-fourths as many motor vehicles in use as there are today. Had there been only one million cars in the state in 1925 instead of nearly a million and a half, the increase in taxes would have been proportionate to the increase in cars.

However, as it stands, the taxes have increased nearly one hundred per cent, compared with an increase of forty-two per cent in the number of cars. The average for each motorist in taxes per vehicle was \$28.16 in 1930. Each



Scouts of the Niles troop who took part in the boy scout activities at the San Leandro flower show last Saturday were Lawrence Pine, assistant scoutmaster, Charles Myrick, Vernon Ellsworth and Anthony Souza.

E. C. Weed, former scoutmaster of an Alameda troop, was a visitor at the Niles troop meeting Friday night.

A movie camera and projector has recently been purchased by Scoutmaster Green, and hereafter all scout events of importance will be filmed. Actual pictures will give a better record of past scout events than the former method of noting the activities by the scribe.

Friday night was officially recognized as "fun" night by the Niles troop of boy scouts. A special program was presented and various games formed the diversion of the evening. The meeting was in charge of Assistant Scoutmaster Lawrence Pine, while Scoutmaster Green made good use of the new movie camera by taking pictures of the troop in various actions. These pictures will be shown at the next scout meeting.

After the fun was over the Sea Gull troop treated the rest of the boys to a bean feed.

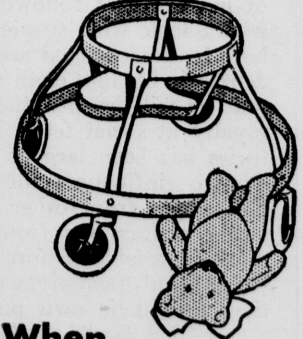
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cox and daughter, June, of Richmond, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Cox on Tuesday.

James S. Cull, son of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Cull, of Niles, left last Friday by train for Spokane. He expects to be gone several months, visiting relatives.

motorist paid a state gasoline tax of three cents a gallon, the state registration fee, and personal property tax on his automobile. The personal property tax varies according to the county in which it is paid and ranges around \$3 to almost \$6 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

The stand announced by the automobile association against singling out the motor vehicle owner for special added taxes or diverting gasoline tax proceeds to purposes other than those originally prescribed has met with widespread approval, the motorists' organization reports. Senator Arthur H. Breed, author of the gas tax bill and a director of the automobile association, commented as follows:

"The gas tax is placed in serious jeopardy by a scheme to exploit it for the benefit of this or that project. This tax is a popular method of raising money for highways, but it will be popular only as long as it is reasonable and the money is spent for the purpose originally intended."



## When BABIES are Upset

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## TRUCK LANDS ON SIDE WALK WHEN AVOIDING SMASH

Machine Skids 170 Feet in Try To Miss Car Making Left Turn

Sidewalk traffic on Main street in Centerville was impeded for several hours last week when a heavy truck and trailer, driven by Harold A. York, of San Jose, landed in front of Soares Food store and Francis' real estate office, after an attempt had been made to avoid striking a car driven by Mrs. R. H. Atkinson, of Centerville.

The tires, rear, and wheels of the car were damaged, while the truck suffered dished-in wheels and a broken bumper.

According to a report made of the accident by Officer Duffy Lewis, Mrs. Atkinson was making a left turn into Main street when the truck approached from the west. York locked the wheels of his machine, which was heavily loaded, and skidded approximately 170 feet before he landed on the sidewalk.

The car driven by Mrs. Atkinson was the property of Fred Lowrie.

Allen Shinn, who is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shinn, of Niles, this week, is returning to Annapolis on Friday.

### TELKS BARBECUE SATURDAY

The annual gathering of the Alameda Elks for their barbecue on Ed Rose's ranch will take place this year on Saturday.

The plans for the event are rapidly maturing under the direction of Ed Rose, assisted by Willard Kirk and Cyrus Solon, all of whom promise a real feast for the guests on Saturday.

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**SPECIAL WEEKLY RATES**  
**BAYARD WOOTEN, Manager**

## J. M. BETTENCOURT IS FOUND DEAD IN BARN OF BROTHER

Heart Attack Strikes Down Centerville Resident of Many Years.

J. M. Bettencourt, well-known Centerville man, was found dead in the barn of his brother, M. S. Bettencourt, Friday morning. Death was due to a heart attack. Bettencourt had not complained of feeling ill on the night before, according to the story of Mrs. M. S. Bettencourt. He had eaten a very hearty meal and had gone out for a walk about dusk, as was his custom, and having a key to the house the M. S. Bettencourt family, with whom he was residing, did not wait for his appearance before they retired for the night.

Thinking it was rather queer that he did not show up in the morning, for he was always an early riser, Mrs. Bettencourt went into his room and found that the bed had not been slept in. When her husband went to the barn to milk the cow he discovered the body of his brother lying on some bales of hay in the building. He apparently laid down for a rest during the night before and died peacefully without any pain, according to Mrs. Bettencourt.

The deceased, who was fifty-two years of age, was born near Centerville and had lived in this vicinity all his life. It was only a year ago that he sold his ranch and moved to his brother's home where he had resided until his death.

He is survived by his brother, M. S. Bettencourt, and a sister, Mrs. Rosie George, both of Centerville. Several cousins in Irvington and Alameda also survive. Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Holy Ghost church with Father Souza officiating. Interment was made in the family plot in Centerville.

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## Mission San Jose

By EVA ROGERS

### Delightful Picnic Is Held At Witherly Park Sunday

Witherly's Park was the scene of a delightful picnic Sunday. The chief diversions were swimming and dancing. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. Anderson and daughter, Mildred, Mr. and Mrs. H. Williams, and daughter, Gay, Mr. and Mrs. J. Young, Mr. and Mrs. A. Penty and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gaffigan and family, M. Wright, F. Mattos, Bob Wright and Mrs. Cassie Witherly and family.

Mr. Seppi and Joaquin Santos, of San Leandro, left for Modoc county Wednesday morning to go deer hunting.

**BABY BORN.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Peter Doggine are the proud parents of a baby boy.

### HONORED ON BIRTHDAY.

Frank Seppi was the guest of honor at a birthday party given at his home Admission day. Those present were Mervin, Clarence, Duddy Telles, Mervin Satos, Melvin Callahan.

The dance held at the I. D. E. S. dance hall Saturday night was the welcome dance of the return of Laurence Dutra, who has been playing baseball in Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rogers motored to Oakland Sunday.

The delegates for the annual convention of I. D. E. S., at Oakland this week are Messrs. M. Rogers and Brown.

Richard Witherly is recovering from a slight operation on his eye.

## AGRICULTURE CLASS WINS HONORS AT STATE FAIR

The agricultural department of Washington Union High School distinguished itself last week when Lawrence Bunting, Edward Andrade, John Dosantos, and Vincent Dias, under the leadership of Paul Daugherty, agricultural instructor, attended what is known as the future farmers' meeting at the state fair in Sacramento and won seventh prize in the Camp Lillard contest in which 500 boys from school agricultural courses all over the state competed.

In view of the fact that this is the first year the course has been taught at Washington high, the work of the boys and Daugherty is considered exceptional. There are thirty boys enrolled in the class.

## CAFETERIA BEGINS SERVING LUNCHES UNDER NEW PLAN

Everyone Urged to Attend Benefit Whist Party at Grammar School.

Operating under a slightly different plan this year, Niles grammar school cafeteria began serving meals to the children at noon Monday, September 14, under the direction of Mrs. E. Carthy, who has been in charge of the cafeteria for several years. Under the new plan an extra five cent dessert is served with the regular meal, at which there is a choice of two meats at the regular seven cent price. Milk is served as usual for the regular five cent price.

The selling of lunch tickets also began on Monday, the price of each ticket being sixty cents. It is expected that a ticket will last for a week.

The first regular meeting of the Parent-Teachers' association was held Tuesday night with the president, Mrs. R. Bendel, presiding, at which the full details of the cafeteria were discussed.

Plans for the Parent-Teachers' Association benefit whist party to be held Friday evening, are rapidly going forward under the direction of the teachers who have charge, and everything points to an enjoyable evening for all those who attend. Cards will form the diversion of the party. Delicious refreshments will be served.

All the proceeds derived from the benefit party will go toward the school cafeteria fund. At the finish of the school term last spring the school cafeteria fund was almost depleted, therefore everyone has been urged to attend Friday night's affair in order to assist in the support of a very useful school service. Gifts of kindling wood and canned goods will be given to high score holders through the courtesy of Niles merchants.

### Niles Personal Items

Santa Cruz visitors from Niles during the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Jess Cross, Jack Cross, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Johnson, Leonard Whitbeck, and Edna Wellington.

Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Grau spent Sunday with friends in Burlingame.

After spending several days as a guest of the E. G. Weed family, Mrs. F. C. Davis left Monday for her home in Los Angeles. Mrs. Davis, who is a sister of Weed, was a delegate to the mail carriers' convention held last week in Oakland.

Mrs. Avie Monroe, her son, Ellsworth Grant, and his wife, all of Alameda, and Mrs. Pamm and Mr. Demery, of Oakland, were visitors at the E. G. Weed residence over the week-end.

Charles Coyle spent Monday in Oakland.

Ignacio—Over \$250,000 available for building of highways and roads at Hamilton Field, new government bombing base here.

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### For Sale

CASH REGISTER and Seth Thomas 8-day business clock for sale, exceptional bargain; phone Niles 141-J. S-10-77p

FOR SALE—Small size pea seed for feed—\$1.90 a sack. H. P. Garin Company, Centerville. Jy16tfc

PIANO—Beautiful bungalow piano to be sold at once at Niles at a real bargain. Most any terms you want. For full particulars and location write to C. F. Hendrick, P. O. Box 575, Walnut Creek, Calif. S-24c

### Miscellaneous

COPIES WANTED—10c each will be paid at the Register office for Registers of the following date, August 8, 1929.

WOULD LIKE POSITION as companion to some elderly women. Will also do light housework. Wages reasonable to right parties. Mary M. Andrade, Mission San Jose. S-10-17pd

## Irvington Register

By ANNA BETTENCOURT

## BIRTHDAY FETE HELD FOR HARRY ROSE ON SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rose, of Irvington, entertained thirty of their friends from San Francisco and Oakland Sunday at their home with a birthday party, the occasion being in honor of Harry Rose.

A barbecue lunch was served under the grape arbor in the garden. The table was beautifully decorated with autumn colors, with a large birthday cake adorning the center of the table.

In the afternoon a hay ride was taken to the Rose ranch at Warm Springs, where horseback riding was enjoyed.

Several other entertaining features were provided. Out door dancing, skating and tennis were the evening diversions. The party was enjoyed by everyone and will have provided pleasant memories for those who were present.

### Irvington Woman Given Oakland Oriental Shower

A bridge tea and shower was given at an Oakland hotel last Saturday in honor of Mrs. Estelle Hirsch, of Irvington. The hostess was Mrs. Kenneth Leach, of Oakland. The reception took the form of an Oriental shower, and proved to be very enjoyable to all the guests present.

### DUTRA RETURNS FROM PLAYING BALL IN NEBRASKA

Lawrence Dutra, who has played baseball with the North Platte club in the Nebraska State league, returned home last Saturday. He was signed to play with the club again next year and will report for practice next spring. A dinner was given in his honor on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Enos and daughters went to Pomponio last Wednesday.

Henry Weston was a visitor in San Francisco recently.

I WANT TO EXCHANGE a \$1140 mortgage on Oakland home, pays \$15 per month interest 7 per cent and my \$1850 equity in a 4 room modern bungalow, for a small ranch or country home, O. C. Mitchell, 2960 East 14th St., Oakland, Calif. S-17p145

WANTED—Competent woman to assist with housework—whole or part time. Permanent position to right person. Phone Niles 83.

**HORSES BOUGHT AND SOLD—**  
We are in market for live chickens, feed horses at highest prices; remove dead horses and cows immediately; buy and sell all kinds live stock and pay highest prices. Frank Pemental, Vallejo Street. Phone Niles 132.

**LIVE STOCK—Am dealing in all kinds of live stock; also buy and sell on commission. Dead stock removed on short notice. General hauling. Moved to corner Third and F streets, near school. Manuel Pemental. Phone 155, Niles.**

### MORE DEER KILLED

As the last week of the season passed by three more deer were bagged around Niles. On Sunday, Myron Harris knocked over two big ones on his ranch, while Harry Abbot also brought down a buck on his ranch the same day.

Mr. Raymond and sons, of the Irvington hotel, Manuel Mederos, Joseph George, and Joseph Rose, attended the state fair at Sacramento last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Durham entertained Mr. and Mrs. L. Belfield, of Oakland, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bettencourt and Mr. and Mrs. E. Dorgitz spent Sunday at Golden Gate Park.

Morris Brewer, former resident of Irvington, who has lived in San Francisco for the past several years, visited old friends here.

### SPORTSMEN BACK WITH DEER FROM ROUND VALLEY

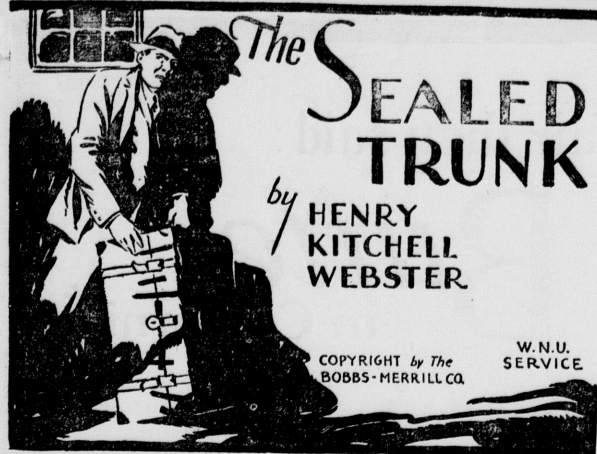
After spending a week of hunting and fishing in the Round Valley region, Ed Rose returned to Niles last Thursday with an expansive smile on his face as he related the success of this year's trip.

The expedition is an annual one and is known as the Myron Harris, pack-in-trip, being organized by Harris, an Oakland attorney. The hunting and fishing was great, according to the Niles game warden. Eight deer were killed and brought out in addition to those which were eaten during the party's two weeks' stay in the mountains. Sixteen steelhead trout also were brought back by the sportsmen.

Ten hunters comprised this year's expedition in addition to two Chinese cooks and two men to take care of the horses, according to Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Fournier and family visited Mrs. Fournier's mother, Mrs. Stribley, in Berkeley, on Sunday.





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## SYNOPSIS

**CHAPTER I.**—At a public dance Martin Forster, Chicago newspaper man, is pleasantly attracted by one of the girl dancers. He "cuts in" on her partner, a man whose name he learns later is Max Lewis, and whom he instinctively dislikes. The girl tells him her name is "Rhoda White." He overhears a conversation between Lewis and an unknown woman which he realizes concerns Rhoda. Sensing a good newspaper story, he informs her of it, a "blind ad" signed "C. J." inquiring for the whereabouts of Rhoda McFarland, which, judging from the talk he overheard, he is convinced is the girl's real name. She refuses to deny or admit it.

**CHAPTER II.**—That night Rhoda finds the advertisement. The sight of her discarded name (Martin is right) recalls her childhood in a California town. Her mother dead, she is happy with her father, professor in a small university, until misfortune comes. Associated with the blow is her uncle, William Royce, who becomes in her childish mind an "ogre." Her father brings her to Chicago, where he is engaged in some mystery work. Rhoda, by chance, learns lip-reading and afterward, stenography. When she is sixteen her father dies suddenly, vainly trying to give her a message about "papers" in a trunk. She has some money, and after his death, fearing she will be claimed by her uncle, she changes her name to "White" and becomes a stenographer in the newspaper office where Forster is working. She is living with a fellow worker, "Babe" Jennings. Babe, who had been at the dance the night Rhoda's father died, Lewis had asked her if Rhoda's real name was not McFarland.

**CHAPTER III.**—Next day Martin has supper with Rhoda and Babe. He is told the girls' apartment has been broken into and \$200 Rhoda had laid away, is stolen. Martin has learned that the mysterious "C. J." of the advertisement is Charles J. Forster, uncle of Max Lewis, and living at the Worcester hotel. The girl admits her name is McFarland, but tells Martin little else of her history. A mysterious "Claire Cleveland" asks Rhoda for an interview.

**CHAPTER IV.**—Rhoda meets Claire, who tells her she knew her father well and is anxious to secure a document belonging to her which Professor McFarland had in his possession when he died. Claire also reveals knowledge of the trick which wrecked McFarland's life, a false charge of violation of the Mann act. She warns Rhoda to beware of Forster. The girl promises to look for the paper, but finds the trunk in which were her father's possessions, and which she had sealed, has been stolen.

**CHAPTER V.**—Rhoda, convinced that Claire has engineered the theft of the trunk, which the girl had told her was in her apartment, charges her with the act. Claire, of course, indignantly denies it, but Rhoda, her suspicion aroused, trails her to the Worcester hotel, where Forster lives.

**CHAPTER VI.**—Martin, suspicious of Forster, goes to the Worcester, at a venture. He overhears Claire telephone Lewis and address "C. J." to her. Martin follows Lewis, with the trunk, which he recognizes, to a railroad depot. There Lewis checks it. Martin has an idea. He phones Claire.

**CHAPTER VII.**—At the depot Lewis is accosted by Babe Jennings. She leads him to believe she is also going to New York. Claire appears and accuses Lewis of trying to "get away." Babe flees, after getting the trunk check from Lewis.

**CHAPTER VIII.**—Rhoda secures admission to Forster's apartment at the Worcester. She finds her father's friend and offers to "adopt" her, but the girl is suspicious. Finally she tells him of the trunk containing the papers, that was stolen.

While she was my private secretary. Then I found out what sort she was and fired her. She may have known that McFarland was working for me but I don't believe it. I don't believe she ever saw him in her life. Anyhow, she didn't know he came from California. She didn't know that until you told her about it while you were working up this plan between you to blackmail me. Come across now! Tell me the whole story, and I'll let you go. But if I catch you in any more lies you'll spend the night in jail. And to begin with, he would up after a long stare into her face, "who are you, anyway?"

Bewildered now by the suddenness of his attack she could only echo in amazement, "Who am I?"

"Yes, thought you'd cooked up something pretty good, did you, when you got together and swapped stories with a discharged employee of mine, faked up the red hair, and came around here pretending to be Rhoda McFarland."

"I am Rhoda McFarland," she told him furiously. "I don't know who you think I am. I don't know what you're talking about."

"I don't mind telling you what I'm talking about. I'm talking about what happened to Professor McFarland six years ago, when he got on a train here in Chicago to go back to the coast. He'd been east to read a paper before the Oil Chemists' Institute, and he found a young girl on the train across the aisle from him crying because she'd had her pocketbook stolen after she'd got on the train. He was sorry for her and paid her fare, pullman and all, so they wouldn't put her off the train. According to his story that was all

he did. And she promised him her friends would pay him back the money as soon as she got to the coast. But what she did was to make a complaint before the district attorney out there that he'd taken advantage of her."

"He claimed it was a frame-up, and when it went to trial the jury acquitted him, although he couldn't show any reason why anyone should want to frame him that way and on one else could, either. And the scandal of the trial cost him his job at the university."

"So he came back here and told me his story, and I believed him and gave him a job. He felt disgraced about it. He was like a man hiding out from the police; didn't want anybody to know who he was or what he was doing. Well, I could see how he felt so I never told a soul anything about it. I even paid him his wages in cash every week."

"Claire Cleveland couldn't have found out anything about him, even if she'd tried to. He never came near my office nor where I lived. He worked at a place I fixed up for him, and I used to go around there once a week to see how he was getting on and to pay him his money. I'm dead sure he never told his daughter anything about that California mess. She was nothing but a kid. He'd have kept it from her if he'd been telling everybody else in sight. And if you want to know who I think you really are, I don't mind telling you that either. I believe you're the one person alive today who really knows whether Walter McFarland was telling the truth or not."

Until he'd finished she hadn't seen what he was driving at. And when she did she could do nothing but stare at him, confounded by the mere monstrousness of his mistake. To complete her discomfiture she found she was beginning to cry.

"You can cry, can you? Well, it worked with him but it won't with me. So you may as well stop."

He broke off there and what had interrupted him both made her blink away her tears and checked their coming. A sort of little trap-door in the front of Napoleon had silently fallen forward and revealed, as he reached toward it, a telephone instrument inside.

Forster seemed rather startled by the message he was getting. "What's that?" he barked. "Who does he say he is? All right, after listening for a minute, 'I'll see him, but not in here. Have him shown up to the library. I'll see him there. And find DeGraw and tell him I want him.'"

He put the telephone back and clicked the little trap-door shut upon it. Then he pressed an electric button on his desk.

"I'm going to leave you here for a while," he said to Rhoda, "to think things over, and you'd better think straight, if you can. I'm going to get this Cleveland woman. I've got her now, as far as that goes. But I've got nothing personal against you. And if you can make up your mind, by the time I come back, to come through clean and tell me the whole conspiracy, I'll let you go."

His ring had been answered while he was speaking, not by Conley, but by a sort of overgrown page in livery. He helped the old man to his feet and conducted him to the door Rhoda had come in by.

Rhoda sank back in her chair. What possessed her mind was the story Forster had been telling her about the girl he'd preposterously taken her to be. Did he really believe that? Was there a scrap of genuine doubt in his mind that she was Walter McFarland's daughter? Wasn't the whole thing a bluff to put her on the defensive and frighten her into doing, eventually, whatever it was that he wanted her to do? It would have been a rather satisfactory explanation if she could wholeheartedly have adopted it, if for no other reason than that it brought him out in a clearer, less ambiguous light.

But she found she couldn't adopt it. He wasn't a much better actor than she was. His manner while he had been trying to convince her that he had been lied by nothing but disinterested benevolence in trying to find her had been sleek and sly, utterly unconvincing. But some of the things he'd told her she knew to be true. Her father had been paid every week regularly, through the whole four years they'd lived at the hotel, in cash. Forster wouldn't have known that unless he'd paid him himself, or it wasn't likely that he would. What he'd said about her father's feeling disgraced and having lived practically in hiding was confirmed, too, by innumerable memories of his having cautioned her not to talk to people, nor answer their questions, nor make friends with them.

Claire Cleveland, somehow, had found the secret out. She'd spoken

with perfect confidence of the laboratory where her father had worked. Had she really worked for him there—evenings, as she said she had? It was possible, but it didn't seem very likely. At any rate, it was flatly unbelievable that he would have confided to her at those times, as she said he had, the story of his California disaster. And yet it was clear that she knew about that. She'd spoken of the trial and sensation that it created.

There'd been hardly anything else in the San Francisco papers.

Rhoda sat erect and held her breath. Why, why hadn't she caught that slip at the time? All it meant, all it could possibly mean, was that it had been in the San Francisco papers that Claire had read about it. She'd been in San Francisco, then, during the trial. She hadn't said so. She hadn't meant to give that away. She's pretend that it was from Walter McFarland's own lips that she'd heard this story, long afterward, here in Chicago. Of course! Claire Cleveland was the girl on the train.

She recalled her first impression of Claire, her momentary belief that she couldn't be the woman because she looked rather nice and young—not much over twenty. Six years ago she could have looked convincingly like an innocent young girl crying forlornly over the loss of her ticket and her money and the prospect that they'd put her off the train. She had something of that look left even now. Martin had described her as looking younger than her voice sounded. Why hadn't her voice given her away to Walter McFarland?

Of course it was hard to tell where the truth left off and where the lies began. Claire's professed hatred of Forster was true, though as yet specifically unaccounted for. She had tried to convince Rhoda, though with a suspicious insistence upon her own lack of knowledge, that Forster was the person primarily responsible for the plot against her father.

That felt like the truth though it obviously wasn't. Forster had stopped being frightened and had burst into a rage of pure relief when she had told him that Claire had said that. That disposed of the possibility that he could be the man who had compelled, or persuaded, or coldly hired, Claire. And yet he couldn't be left out of the pattern altogether. He had advertised for Rhoda McFarland and no one but an idiot could doubt after seeing him and hearing him talk, that he had done so in the furtherance of some mean purpose of his own. Claire, who had once been his private secretary, and Max Lewis, who was his nephew, knew, or thought they knew, what that purpose was, and had tried to forestall him by finding her first. It was her father's papers Claire had tried to get a chance to rummage through, and at her own mention to Forster of the theft of those papers he had started.

There must be something among those papers that he wanted pretty badly; something that had nothing to do with the work he had done here in Chicago. Was there, or did Forster believe there was, among her father's papers some precious secret formula? Was that what with his dying breath he'd tried to tell her about? And was that what Claire and Max had been trying to steal so that they could sell it to Forster on their own terms?

Was the conspiracy to ruin her father at the university an entirely unrelated thing except for the coincidence of Claire's connection with it?

What should she do when Forster came back to question her further? Stick to the truth, which she wouldn't be able to make him believe? If he were honestly convinced that she was an imposter and a confederate of the Cleveland woman, she was in for a pretty bad time when he came back. If only she'd thought of telephoning to Martin before coming up here.

Her thoughtful gaze came suddenly into focus upon the bust of Napoleon. If she could find the way to open that little trap door she might be able to reach Martin. Babe would be at home by now, and she might be able to get word to him. That was the thing to try, anyhow.

It must have been some sort of electrical connection that opened the little trap door. She went over and sat down in his chair and looked about. It wouldn't do to press the wrong button. She studied Napoleon intently. He had several buttons but none of them looked as if they pushed in.

She was guiltily restless, sitting in that chair. She couldn't help wondering whether some one mightn't silently have entered the room from one of those two doors behind her. She could almost feel the gaze of a pair of eyes boring into her back, and at last, half involuntarily, she started to turn and see. As she did so her knee came in contact with the inner face of one of the pedestals to the desk and the little trap door fell forward. She had found the telephone button by pure accident.

Heartened by this bit of good luck, she picked up the telephone and, speaking as softly as she could, asked for an outside line and gave the studio number. The luck held. Babe's voice answered almost instantly. She asked if Babe knew where Martin was, and gave a gasp of relief on being told that he was right there in the studio. But why was he so long about coming? Why didn't he hurry?

From where she sat in Forster's chair she faced the principal door, the one she had come in by. She was still waiting for Martin's voice to come over the phone when she saw this door being quietly pushed open. The man who came in was Max Lewis. His look of

astonishment when he saw her sitting in his uncle's chair would have been ludicrous if it had not been followed so quickly by a glare of anger.

"You're here, are you?" he said huskily. He added, "Put up that phone!" and snatching the door shut behind him he bore furiously down upon her to enforce his command.

She didn't obey him. She clung to the instrument and tried to say, in the hope that Martin was near enough to hear, "I'm at Forster's at the Worcester hotel." But before her tight throat could utter the words, Max had got the telephone away from her, and one of his thick beefy hands was over her mouth, his thumb and forefinger pinching her nostrils together so that she couldn't breathe at all.

## CHAPTER X

### The Ogre.

HE HELD her so until he had replaced the telephone in Napoleon's chest and shut the little trap door upon it. Then he released her, saying as he did so, "You can yell if you like but it won't do you any good, in this room." He was still standing over her so that she couldn't get up out of the heavy chair. "What I ought to do," he concluded, glowering down upon her, "is to wring your neck."

It came to her that down inside he himself was frightened; bewildered, anyhow, like a bull with a lot of darts in his shoulders, gazing about the ring not knowing exactly who his enemy was. If she could just keep out of his way. Anyhow, it was plain he didn't quite know what he wanted to do with her. She scrubbed her lips vigorously with her handkerchief before she spoke.

"I wish you'd sit down where I can see you," she said. "What harm do you think I've done you?"

"What did you come here for?" he asked.

"Unless to make trouble for me," she supposed he meant. "You mean," she said, "you're afraid I've come to tell your uncle that I think you stole my three hundred dollars and my trunk?"

He was almost inarticulate with fury, but finally he managed to



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stutter, "Never mind about that. What did you come here for?"

She decided to evade that. "Your uncle sent for me," she told him.

If she'd been a practiced deceiver she'd have stopped there. Not being one, she felt that the explanation sounded rather bare and added to it, "I don't know how he found out where I lived? Did you tell him? Because, of course, you did find out from Babe."

He sat down in the chair that she had sat in during the talk with Forster.

"No," he said. "I didn't tell him. But I happen to know how he found out. I guess I'm beginning to catch on to some things, too," he went on, still eyeing her intently. "She's quite some girl, that Babe Jennings. How long have you known her?"

"Quite a while," Rhoda told him. "Got sort of an idea she's a friend of yours?"

"No," Rhoda answered. "I know she is."

He gave a short laugh. "Did you know," he asked, "that she left for New York this afternoon?"

She smiled and shook her head. "Well," he asserted, "I saw her off on that train, myself."

The lie was so childish that Rhoda almost laughed as she said, "That's very interesting." "Don't you believe it?"

"No."

Her skepticism didn't seem to irritate him. He stared at her thoughtfully a few seconds and then said, "Well, maybe I've got you all wrong. I thought you and she were teamed up in this business. Now I've got a notion that she's buried you just like she did me."

"How did she burn you?" Rhoda asked.

"Never mind about that. That's my end of it. Say, what kind of a trunk was it you lost? Because she took a trunk with her. I helped her check it."

"What sort of trunk was it that you checked?" Rhoda asked him. It didn't seem possible that even he would be fool enough to fall into that trap.

He did give his answer a little uneasily. "Why, I didn't notice it especially," he said. "It was sort of a square leather trunk."

She sat for a while in puzzled silence.

ence. How could he have hoped she would believe a story like that? Why hadn't he seemed more disappointed that she didn't believe it? Was it possible that he really thought Babe had taken a train to New York?

"When did all this happen?" she asked at last. "What time did the train leave?"

"Five-thirty."

"What did she do? Call you up and ask you to see her off?"

The question started her a little as she asked it. It made her think of the anonymous telephone message that had come to Claire Cleveland just as Claire had locked her in the bathroom.

It didn't startle Max for he answered readily enough. "No, I just happened to run across her there."

"So you helped her buy her ticket and check her trunk and then you saw her off on the train. And now you've heard my trunk has been stolen you think that must be the one you checked?"

"Well, it seems kind of queer, her going off to New York like that without letting you know anything about it. You said you'd lost some money, didn't you? She's got that, too, if you ask me. She certainly talked as if she had plenty. She told me she was taking her vacation late so that the big burg would be running full time when she got there."

Involuntarily Rhoda started at that. Babe had been talking about that sort of vacation ever since she and Rhoda had begun living together. She'd used that very phrase. Max couldn't have made it up. He had met Babe at the station then and she had made him think she was going to New York.

Why? Why had she gone to the station? Why, for that matter, had Max gone there himself? Had he meant to go to New York on that train? With her three hundred dollars and her trunk?

Well, how about Claire? Where did she come in? Or didn't she come in? Had he ditched Claire, or tried to? Was that what the telephone message had been about? Never mind that now. Whatever Max had tried to do he'd failed. Rhoda remembered how he'd looked when he came into the room.

"I wish you'd tell me," she said, looking at him in as childlike a manner as she could manage, "what the terrible thing was that Babe did to you."

"Never mind about that!" he growled at her. "Get off it! It's no business of yours. You've got enough to worry about with what she did to you."

"I don't think," she told him cheerfully, "that I've anything to worry about at all. I think she's got my trunk back. You see I was talking to her on the telephone just now, when you came in here."

This proved one dart too many and he came for her; not blindly, either. He seized her arm with a wrench that made her want to cry out, and jerked her to her feet.

"Get out of here!" he said. "I'll make it worth your while to talk to me some other time, if you get out now before my uncle finds you here."

For an instant she stared up at him blankly, the realization breaking over her that he didn't know she'd already seen his uncle; that he thought she was voluntarily waiting for him. "All right," she said, "I'll go. But you'll have to show me the way out."

He didn't altogether release her, but his grip on her arm relaxed as he started leading her toward the door she had come in by. Halfway to it they were halted by Conley's voice. He had come in by one of the smaller doors.

Conley came up to them briskly. "Let the girl alone," he continued. "She's no affair of yours, Mr. Forster wants her to wait here."

Now Max did let go her arm, but it wasn't in obedience to Conley's order. "Lay off it," he said. "You aren't in on this. The young lady's a friend of mine and now she's talked to me she doesn't want to see C. J."

Conley agreed with a grin. "I guess she doesn't. But she don't leave this room until the boss comes back."

Glancing up at Max, Rhoda could see that that word, "boss," troubled him, though he hadn't yet made out the implication in it.

Rhoda started for the door, and she kept on going, though Conley barked at her, "Come back here, you!" She was aware that Max interposed to check Conley's rush for her. The last thing she heard before she closed the door after her was the thud of a heavy blow, and she inferred from the fact that she wasn't immediately pursued and dragged back, that the recipient of it must have been Conley.

She walked—it seemed safer somehow than breaking into a run—down the broad corridor and around the corner, retracing her way in, although it was a stairway she hoped to find rather than the elevator. However, by almost unbelievable good luck, she found the elevator there waiting for her, with both its own door and the outer guard gate standing wide open.

There was no attendant there. It was one of those mysterious little elevators you were supposed to run yourself. She swiftly scrutinized the little row of push buttons, and pressed the one marked "Down." There was a faint, protesting buzz, but nothing happened. In less desperate haste she might have reflected that an automatic elevator which could descend its shaft while its guard gate stood open would be a veritable death-trap, but on the verge of panic as she was she couldn't think at all.

Then she heard a door open somewhere and stepped back into the corridor, poised for flight but not knowing which way to flee. A big booming voice swept over her and, even before she consciously recognized it or took any meaning from what it said, all but paralyzed

her with colossal terror.

"Very well. But I warn you, you are making a serious mistake. I shall find her in spite of you, and if necessary, in spite of herself. She is a minor and I am her guardian—in effect, at any rate. Her interests are in my hands and I shall protect them."

It was six years since she had seen those heavy menacing tones. It was her uncle, William Royce—the ogre!

She fled now, as a child would, running blindly down one corridor after another, turning corners at random. There must be a stairway somewhere.

She was just getting over this panic and beginning to try to feel ashamed of it when it was renewed by the sound of heavy and, to her ears, ogreish footsteps coming briskly along the transverse corner which she was approaching.

She was passing, at the instant, a door which stood ajar. Instinctively she pushed it open and stepped into the room it gave upon.

The room was dark, but she perceived at once it wasn't empty, since a woman's silhouette was visible against one of the windows. The woman hadn't heard her come in since she neither spoke nor moved.

But the footsteps which had frightened Rhoda were now just outside the door and pausing there. The man was coming in too. She wasn't cornered yet, however, for another door communicating with the adjoining room stood open; too, and she retreated through it just before the man switched on the light.

The next moment she heard Max Lewis demanding angrily, "What the devil are you doing here?" He hadn't seen her, though; he was speaking to the woman.

## CHAPTER XI

### To the Rescue.

BABE and Martin stood staring at each other across a dead telephone.

"What do you suppose made her voice sound so funny?" Babe asked. "Sure it was hers, are you?" he shot at her.

"Oh," cried Babe disgustedly, "don't know Red's voice? Look here, have you really got anything on your mind, or are you just generally cuckoo about her, I mean?"

"I've got that Cleveland woman on my mind," he answered, "and a man named C. J. Forster, who wants to get hold of her pretty badly, and I don't know why. He's been advertising for her, and somehow or other has managed to find her."

Babe asked rather tensely how he knew.

"It was Forster," he told her, "who brought you two down to work this morning in his limousine. Where did he pick you up, just as you were leaving the building here?"

She answered with a nod. "I guess it's my fault, if anything's happened," she said, pretty humbly for Babe. "I know how he found her, all right. You see, I answered his ad myself. He telephoned one in, the morning after Max had brought me home. Max had asked me that night if her real name wasn't Rhoda McFarland. I took the ad over the phone and got Forster's name and address. I tried to get Red to answer it the night before, but she wouldn't. It said 'something to her advantage,' and I thought it probably was. So I called him up at lunch time at the Worcester and told him if he'd write her a letter, care of me, I'd forward it to her. I didn't see how that gave her away, but it must have, somehow. I suppose you'd like to beat me up for butting in like that."

He patted her shoulder instead. "It's no use worrying about that now," he said. "I'm glad you told me. It's between him and the Cleveland woman, then. They are fighting each other, that's one good thing. But one of them has got her, somehow. If that had been a plain broken connection she'd have called again."

The telephone bell interrupted him. Babe was nearest and caught up the instrument before he could get to it.

"Red!" she cried, "is that you?" But it wasn't Rhoda. Babe was looking rather puzzled. "No," Martin heard her say. "She hasn't come back yet. We're expecting her. . . . This is her friend, Babe Jennings. —Say, who is this?"

Martin started over to take the telephone away from her, but she clung to it, pressing the mouthpiece tight against her chest.

"Martin!" she cried excitedly. "I think it's the woman at the station—the Cleveland woman! Listen, and see if she sounds like she did when you telephoned to her this afternoon."

He'd been motioning to her frantically to take the transmitter away. "She can hear every word you say when you hold it like that. Talk to her! Ask her where she is. Give me the receiver so I can hear what she says."

But all he was in time to hear was the click of disconnection. Claire had hung up on them.

"Well," Martin remarked as he himself hung up, "thanks to that chest trick of yours she knows how we framed her and Max this afternoon. But she hasn't got Rhoda or she wouldn't have called up here to ask for her. That makes the Worcester our best bet. I'm going there now and try to find her. You stick—tight, you understand—to that telephone so that you can answer the second she calls, if she does call again."

With that he snatched his hat and fled.

Fifteen minutes later, in a telephone booth in the lobby of the Worcester hotel, he looked up Forster's number and telephoned from

there.

When a man's voice answered with a "Hello? Who is this?" he said that he was a reporter from the News and he wanted a personal interview with Mr. C. J. Forster. The rather surprising answer came back, "This is Mr. Forster speaking. What was it you wanted to speak to me about?"

Apart from the fact that you wouldn't have expected Forster to answer his own phone, there were two queer things about this. The rhythm of his talk wasn't right. The man wasn't speaking for himself. He was being prompted. That meant, of course, that he wasn't Forster, but was impersonating him under orders from some one else. The other strange thing was that his voice was one that Martin half recognized; felt, at least, that he ought to be able to recognize.

"I don't much want to talk about it over the telephone," Martin said, and then added casually—"and I don't believe you do, either."

Evidently they—whatever they were at the other end—had to go into conference over this remark, for it produced quite a silence. Finally the man who said he was Forster asked, "Who are you? What's your name?" On Martin's telling him he said: "If you've really got anything to say you can have your interview. But you'll have to tell me what it's about."

"It's about," said Martin, "the disappearance of Miss Rhoda McFarland. Do I get my interview?"

There was a long silence at that. Evidently they were having an argument about it.

"Nothing doing," the voice said at last. "I don't know that she's disappeared. I don't know that there's any such person."

"You don't want to say, then, why you've been advertising for her?"

The only answer he got to that question was a click which meant that the other receiver had been slammed down on the hook. So Martin hung up, too, and left the booth.

The first thing to find out was the number of Forster's apartment, and of course, the obvious way would be to walk up to the desk and ask the clerk. But instinctively he shied at that. Forster was no





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## MORE ON NEW NILES

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system outfall will have to be en-  
larged or a local cesspool con-  
structed. At present the sewage  
is carried to the bay by way of  
the outfall tap at Newark.

Nothing will be done, according  
to Dias, until a decision from  
George Posey, county surveyor, is  
made. Posey is investigating the  
situation at present, and a de-  
cision is expected within the next  
week as to what plan will be  
the best to follow.

At the request of Mrs. J. R.  
Whipple, President Jones made an  
official announcement to the  
chamber of W. H. Ford's proposal  
to donate \$100,000 toward the con-  
struction of a junior college in  
the vicinity of Niles, and request-  
ed the members to express their  
appreciation of the generous of-  
fer. No official action was taken  
at Tuesday's meeting on the jun-  
ior college campaign, so what  
stand the body will take on the  
movement is undetermined at  
present.

A. J. Rathbone, principal of  
Washington Union high school,  
spoke briefly to the gathering on  
problems presented by the school  
and stressed the school's need of  
the faith, reliance, and co-opera-  
tion of the chamber of commerce  
in the solution of these trouble-  
some matters. He mentioned the  
difficulties often arising out of the  
inability of pupils to learn, the  
matter of discipline, and the ob-  
servance of moral rules.

Getting the right teachers as-  
signed to the right pupils and  
right courses so that harmonious  
and efficient operation will result  
was another problem presented  
to the meeting by Rathbone, who  
maintained that sixty percent of

## Officers To Closely Observe Motorists In School Zones

Local officers have been in-  
structed by their chief, Captain  
Louis Eike, of the California High-  
way Patrol, to apprehend immedi-  
ately any motorist who does not  
show proper precaution and care  
while driving through school  
zones.

Cooperating with the safety  
conference of the California  
State Chamber of Commerce in  
its campaign to prevent traffic  
accidents to children, Captain  
Eike states:

"We are anxious that this city  
does its share in protection of  
our children from accidents on  
their way to and from school.  
The first few weeks after the  
opening of school are particu-  
larly dangerous due to the fact that  
both children and motorists have  
become careless during the vaca-  
tion months.

"Such driving action as passing  
through a crowd of children at  
an uncontrolled speed, depending  
upon the horn signal for notice  
to a child to get out of the way or  
get hit, striking a child who has  
been in plain view, backing with-  
out warning and without looking,  
and any other form of driving  
near children except such as is  
governed by extreme caution and  
consequent car control, will be  
held to be reckless and intoler-  
able."

## RETRIAL OF DR. ENOS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 5

The second trial of Dr. M. M.  
Enos, wealthy Oakland physician  
and hospital owner, on moral  
charges involving eight small  
girls ranging from eleven to fif-  
teen years, is scheduled to take  
place before Superior Judge J.  
J. Allen on October 5.

Dr. Enos was arraigned on two  
counts of an indictment on Thurs-  
day, September 10, and entered a  
not guilty plea on both charges.  
His first trial several weeks ago  
ended in the disagreement of the  
jury. The alleged offenses are  
said to have been committed on  
the doctor's Irvington ranch.

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up the San Joaquin river  
Sunday.

the work of a principal is devoted  
to this difficulty.

The business problem in the  
high school was also mentioned  
by the speaker. Getting the tax-  
payer's dollar spent where it will  
get the most, yet if possible stay  
at home constituted a real ques-  
tion, according to his statement.  
The principal especially urged the  
members at Tuesday's meeting to  
get the matter of placing the  
school's insurance peacefully set-  
tled with the board of trustees,  
and issued a warning against mak-  
ing a political football of high  
school business.

The junior college problem  
which has arisen recently was  
also commented upon by the high  
school educator. He mentioned  
several objections which those  
campaigning for the school will  
meet in their efforts to enlist sup-  
port, and said much depended upon  
the personnel of the campaign  
workers if the movement is to be  
successful.

In closing, Rathbone assured  
the audience that the community  
has an earnest and hard-working  
group of people doing the work of  
the school this year, and pleaded  
again for the confidence, reliance  
and cooperation of the members  
of the chamber.

An invitation extended by Mrs.  
Whipple to the members of the  
Niles chamber of commerce to  
attend a meeting of the Consoli-  
dated chambers of commerce of  
Santa Clara county at Mission on  
the first Tuesday in October re-  
sulted in a motion being passed  
that the president appoint a dele-  
gation to represent the Niles or-  
ganization.

President Jones appointed the  
following men to form the dele-  
gation: Robert Blacow, Dr. E. C.  
Grau, Harvey Braun and himself.

## THIEVES FORCE OFFICE DOOR AND ESCAPE WITH LOOT

Thieves broke into the office  
of Dr. R. H. Bennett, Niles den-  
tist, last week and stole a razor  
and a hone, two bridges, some  
plate work, and some gold cast-  
ings.

Entrance was gained by forcing  
a lock to the office, and was ap-  
parently done during the night,  
according to Dr. Bennett, who left  
his place of business about four  
o'clock in the afternoon and re-  
turned the following morning to  
find the office door forced and  
the valuables missing. Nothing  
but the articles mentioned above  
was disturbed, the thieves appar-  
ently being interested only in  
easily convertible valuables. No  
clues were left by the office  
breakers. Dr. Bennett is of the  
opinion that the deed was com-  
mitted by persons who have been  
making a regular practice of of-  
fice stealing.

## NILES FLOWER MAN WINS HIGH HONORS AT SAN LEANDRO

Fourteen First Prizes Tak-  
en by Garrity in Dahlia  
Competition at Show.

Prizes galore were captured by  
Charles Garrity, Niles flower king,  
last week at the San Leandro  
flower festival. Fourteen first  
prizes, three second and two  
thirds, in addition to winning the  
sweepstakes, comprised the total  
of honors taken in the dahlia com-  
petition by the Niles flower artist,  
who achieved even greater fame  
this year than last, when he came  
home with twelve firsts, two sec-  
onds and one third. This is the  
third year he has competed at  
the flower show.

Since coming to Niles, Garrity  
has brought considerable attention  
to this community through his  
beautiful prize winning flowers,  
which have drawn many com-  
ments wherever they have been  
displayed. He has never failed to  
be among the prize winners in  
any show entered.

The prizes won by Garrity at  
San Leandro were: Dahlias, firsts,  
vase of three decorative dahlias,  
vase of three semi-cactus dahlias,  
vase of three incurved or straight  
cactus dahlias, six decorative  
dahlias, six semi-cactus dahlias,  
vase or basket of twelve decor-  
ative or semi-cactus dahlias, best  
basket of dahlias in show perfec-  
tion of bloom to score seventy-  
five percent and arrangement  
twenty-five percent, special 1931  
seedling pompons, dahlia seedling  
1930, three blooms, dahlia seed-  
ling 1930, six blooms, best general  
display of dahlias, most artistic  
display of dahlias, and sweep-  
stakes.

The second prizes were: Vase  
or basket of twenty-five decor-  
ative or semi-cactus dahlias, basket  
of pompon dahlias, and bowl,  
basket or vase of any type of  
dahlias.

## FORMER FIRE HEAD PRESENTED WITH FOUNTAIN PEN

In appreciation of his services  
for the past year, Ed Vander  
Naillen, former president of the  
Niles fire department, was pre-  
sented with a beautiful fountain  
pen at the regular meeting of  
the department Friday night.

The newly elected president,  
Frank Silva, took charge of the  
meeting.

It was definitely decided at the  
session to have signs made and  
posted on the fire truck warning  
all non-firemen to keep off when  
the fire truck is hastening to the  
scene of a blaze. It also was  
decided that the department will  
hold a dance in the near future,  
the date to be set later.

After spending ten days in Sac-  
ramento, Charles Heiser returned  
to Niles Saturday. He reported  
the state fair a huge success.

At the State Fair they said:

## 'Best Butter in California'



MACMARR  
STORES

At last week's State Fair in Sacramento,  
Dairyland Creamery won the highest award  
given any butter churned in California.

All MacMarr Butter is supplied to us  
by Dairyland. Every pound you buy at  
your MacMarr Store is of the same fine qual-  
ity cream flavor brought out by light  
California.

Try a pound of MacMarr But-  
ter on special sale this Friday and  
Saturday. Notice the rich sweet  
cream flavor brought out by light  
salting. We're sure you will agree  
with the judges that it's "Best in  
California."

See store windows for the spec-  
ial price.

Savings Friday and Saturday, September 18 and 19  
at the NILES MACMARR STORE

## Sugar

Pure cane in full weight sanitary cloth bags.  
(Limit 10 lbs.) See store windows for the  
special price.

MacMarr Flour Flour prices were never lower.  
24 1/4-lb. bag ..... 55c

Snowdrift For all shortening uses. (Limit 1)  
3-lb. can ..... 57c

MacMarr Coffee No need to pay more for first  
quality. Pound ..... 28c

Tuna Fish Breast o' Chicken, selected light meat  
(Limit 3) No. 1/2 can ..... 16c

Catsup Del Monte, rich and spicy (Limit 2)  
8-oz. bottle ..... 10c

Bacon Virden's Campfire, cello-wrapped (Limit 2  
pkgs.) Half-pound ..... 19c

Waldorf Nationally advertised bathroom paper.  
(Limit 4) 4 rolls ..... 15c

## Fruits and Vegetables

JUICE  
ORANGES  
4 dozen ..... 29c

LETTUCE  
2 heads ..... 9c

PEARS  
3 Lbs. ..... 17c

SWEET  
POTATOES  
5 Lbs. ..... 15c

CELERY  
Head ..... 10c

BELLEFEUR  
APPLES  
7 Lbs. ..... 25c

SEEDLESS  
GRAPES  
4 Lbs. ..... 15c

YELLOW  
ONIONS  
3 Lbs. ..... 10c

## Peaches

Valley Belt or Nugget, choice  
halves in rich syrup. (Limit 4)  
No. 2 1/2 can ..... 12 1/2c

## P & G Soap

The world's largest selling soap.  
(Limit 10)  
10 for ..... 25c

FREE! One package Ivory Snow with the pur-  
chase of Camay Soap, at 3 bars 22c

Powow All purpose cleanser, good for the hands.  
2 cans ..... 23c

Crest Corn Fancy white Country Gentleman.  
(Limit 4) No. 2 can ..... 12 1/2c

Beans Van Camp's Bean Hole Beans.  
Can ..... 10c

Crackels Quaker's popular new breakfast  
cereal. Pkg. .... 12 1/2c

Crushed Figs Mor-Pak, a wholesome fig jam.  
No. 1 can ..... 12 1/2c

Lime Rickey Piedmont, the pasteurized beverage.  
3 bottles ..... 35c

Macaroni or Spaghetti Finest quality  
Pound ..... 6c

## Rice

Buy it in quantity and  
make a big saving—  
this is finest quality.

25 lbs. \$1.23

## Beans

Stock up and make a  
big saving.

Mexican Red Beans  
25 lbs. 83c

Pink Beans

25 lbs. 89c

## CHOICE MACMARR MEATS

Shoulder Pork  
Lb. .... 15c

Shasta Bacon  
Half or whole,  
Lb. .... 25c

Swift's Premium  
Hams, Lb. .... 22c

Prime Rib Roast  
Lb. .... 17c

Silver Leaf Lard  
2 Lbs. .... 19c

Pot Roast  
Lb. .... 12c

Shoulder of Veal  
Roast, Lb. .... 17c

Breast of Veal  
Lb. .... 15c

Shoulder of Lamb  
Lb. .... 11c

Rack of Lamb  
Lb. .... 16c

Boneless Lamb  
Lb. .... 19c

Shasta Hams  
Lb. .... 19 1/2c